



German Ports Carrier Info Meeting 14.05.2025





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German Ports aims to enhance security and standardise processes across seaports for container imports.



Aims



Increased **safety** for employees and customers of German ports



Traceability and **security** for the collection of import containers



Standardisation of import processes across German ports



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Strengthening of German seaports for international competition

Stakeholders



DAKOSY and **dbh** jointly working on German Ports



Terminal operators from Hamburg, Bremerhaven and Wilhelmshaven



Carriers



Freight forwarders & haulage companies



Regulatory Authorities

Concrete Improvements

- Container release will be **PIN-free** and replaced by a digital, closed release and collection procedure.
- Truck drivers must **identify** themselves clearly in future.
- There will be a fixed link between Pick-Up Rights, transport preregistrations and truck drivers.

German Ports addresses increasing security gaps in German seaports.



Why do we need more security?

- Drug imports are being relocated to Hamburg and Bremerhaven due to increased security measures in Antwerp and Rotterdam.
- The currently used PIN-based release process in German ports enables untransparent collection processes.
- Law enforcement authorities are demanding rapid digitalisation of the container release process for greater security.
- Organisations are calling for increased security measures to protect employees from organised crime.

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What does German Ports achieve?

- Increases the security of employees involved in the release process by creating a digital and encrypted release.
- Ensures that release orders can only be passed on from one authorised party to the next.
- Enables the **traceability** of import container pick-ups for investigating authorities.

We are currently informing all stakeholder groups about the upcoming changes to the container release process.





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Carriers will also need to take preparatory steps.



Preparatory Steps

- 1. Review technical and functional documentation
- Familiarise yourself with the provided materials.
- Assess what changes are needed for your systems and estimate how much time implementation will likely require.
- 2. Register your carrier via https://www.germanports.com/en/registration/
- 3. Schedule an onboarding session
- If needed, set up an onboarding appointment with our team
- 4. Test integration
- Once you've completed the necessary adjustments to the COREOR, you can flexibly test the connection between yourself and German Ports.

Available Information

- Implementation Guide for COREOR / Release Order XML
- Implementation Guide for APERAK

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- Overview Handout: German Ports Key Concepts
- Information Sheet for Shipping Lines



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A right to collect a container is passed on via German Ports and checked against German Ports before collection.



The future process



The carrier sends the Pick-Up Right to the respective forwarder via German Ports



The forwarder receives the Pick-Up Right, transfers the Pick-Up Right to the next entity or collects the container



The logistician receives the Pick-Up Right, books a slot and drives to the respective terminal



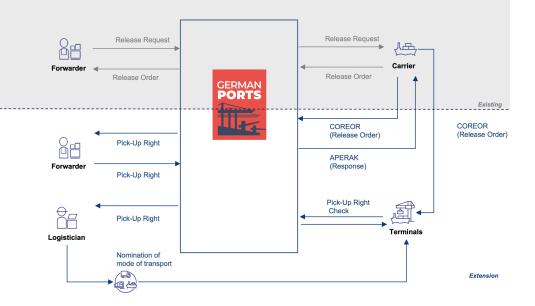
Terminal

The person collecting the container identifies him/herself at the terminal (via an IDP System). The Terminal checks against German Ports, if the entity in question holds the digital Pick-Up Right



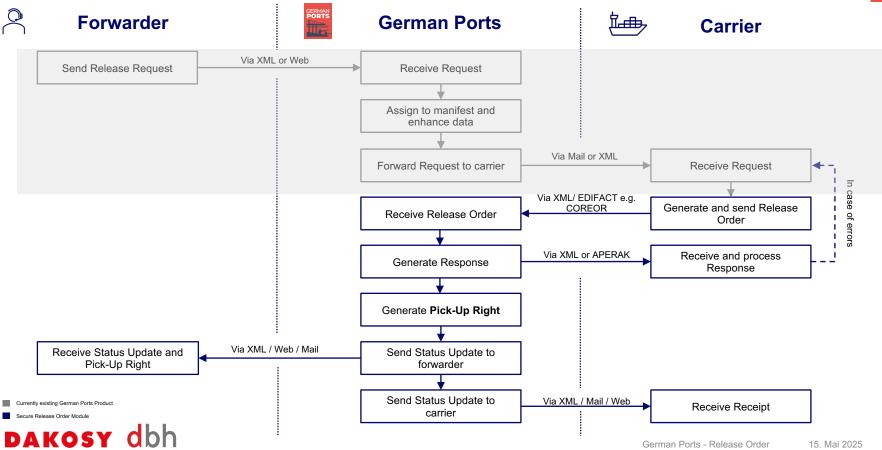
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If the data matches, the container can be loaded onto the respective vehicle.



German Ports enables carriers to generate and pass on digital ROs.





The release order creates a Pick-Up Right in German Ports which carriers can manage.



Possible actions as a carrier

As a German Ports participant, carriers are owners of the 'Root Claim' and can perform the following actions:

- Create and issue a release order
- Withdraw a claim
- Change an expiration date
- Cancel a claim

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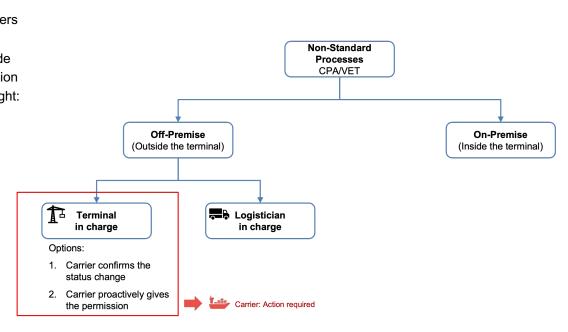
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Official inspections (CPA & VET) influence the Pick-Up Rights in German Ports. Carriers must approve corresponding actions.

Possible actions as a carrier

As German Ports participants, carriers are holders of the 'Root Claim'. If a terminal is instructed to organise the transport to the CPA or VET outside the terminal area, the carrier must give permission for this or confirm the change to the Pick-Up Right:

- 1. Option 1: Carrier confirms the change to 'Pending Inspection' status
- 2. Option 2: Carrier proactively gives the permission to allow the terminal to set the status 'Pending Inspection'







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